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## MEDIA

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**Greenwire (E&E) - West Coast Bureau:** Reporter Debra Kahn inquiring about the timeline of EPA's approval allowing the use of pesticides and herbicides in Lake Tahoe and the nature of EPA's oversight authority. OPEN. WATER. (v.) Soledad Calvino.

News Coverage on James "Lance" Powell winning the PIAEE Award:

- **San Mateo Daily Journal:** [He's got the whole world in his plans: Local educator uses environment to craft award-winning curriculum.](#) Soledad Calvino.

**CBS 47 Fresno:** Reporter Angela Greenwood called the library looking for information on EIR's in parks. Left reporter a message asking for more details. Waiting to hear back. OPEN. (v). Nahal Mogharabi.

**Riverside Press Enterprise:** Reporter Alicia Robinson was looking for confirmation that EPA is working with DTSC on Riverside Agriculture Park. Confirmed. LAND/SFUND. CLOSED. (v). Nahal Mogharabi.

**Saipan Tribune** – Reporter Dennis Chan had some basic questions on the topic of munitions

leaching in relation to the Department of Navy's CNMI Joint Military Training environmental impact statement. Worked with Karen Vitulano in providing answers to his questions. Our comments to the EIS are still being finalized. CLOSED, (V) ENF, Dean Higuchi

**KITV News** – Reporter Catherine Cruz had questions on what areas in Kakaako in Honolulu were or are Brownfields areas. Referred her to the HDOH HEER Office as many of the sites are state BF sites. CLOSED, LAND, Dean Higuchi

## WEB

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### Social Media:

**Commission on Environmental Cooperation (CEC)/Border** - At the request of headquarters, posted to our [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) pages about the recent CEC meeting and linked to Administrator McCarthy's blog post, [CEC Meeting a Win for Public Health in North America](#).

### Web Updates:

**California Air Actions** – Posted a link to the Federal Register notice for the Approval of California Multiple Districts' PSD Air Plans to the [News and Events page](#).

**Tribal RTOC** – Posted the Final Agenda for the Summer RTOC Meeting to the [Upcoming Meetings page](#), and posted Minutes and Action Items to the [Past Meetings page](#).

## CONGRESSIONAL & INTERGOVERNMENTAL

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**Rep. Kevin McCarthy (R-CA-23)**: Brent Maier coordinated and participated in a call today along with Water Division's Mike Montgomery, David Albright, and Kate Rao with Kyle Lombardi, Legislative Director for House Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy and Vince Fong, District Director to provide them an update on the status of California UIC exempt aquifers issue. Provided an update on where things are currently and answered a number of questions raised by Kyle Lombardi. <http://www.epa.gov/region9/mediacenter/uic-review/>

**WOTUS Rule**: U.S. Sen. Jim Inhofe (R-Okla.), chairman of the U.S. Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, today sent a letter to Jo-Ellen Darcy, assistant secretary of the Army

for Civil Works, requesting confirmation of factual statements made in internal Army Corps of Engineer documents provided to the committee. EPA and the Army Corps of Engineers published a final rule changing the definition of “waters of the United States” (WOTUS) on June 29, 2015. Link to text of Sen. Inhofe letter:

<http://www.epw.senate.gov/public/cache/files/0b3784b6-a338-4b23-9afe-7f1a4428f1ab/07.27.2015-dear-secretary-darcy-re-facts-in-peabody-memos.pdf>

### **This Week on Capitol Hill:**

**Tuesday, July 28, 2015 – House Energy and Commerce –** Energy and Power Subcommittee is holding a roundtable discussion on "EPA's Proposed Ozone Rule: Potential Impacts on Manufacturing and Jobs". Participants include: The Honorable Jerry Mouton, Jr., Mayor, Deer Park, Texas; The Honorable Larry Waters, Mayor, Sevier County, Tennessee; Chris Norch, President, Denison Industries; George A. Williams, CEO, PMI Energy Solutions, LLC; Gregory L. Johnson, Director of Legislative Affairs, The Sherwin-Williams Company; and Joseph Stanko, Partner, Hunton & Williams LLP. 2:00pm ET. 2123 Rayburn House Office Building. See more at: <http://energycommerce.house.gov/event/roundtable-discussion-epas-proposed-ozone-rule-potential-impacts-manufacturing-and-jobs#sthash.5TMR3Jch.dpuf>

**Tuesday, July 28, 2015 – Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee -** Will hold a Business Meeting on Tuesday, July 28, 2015 at 10:00am ET in Room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building to consider among other items, “The Energy Policy Modernization Act of 2015”, an original bill to provide for the modernization of the energy policy of the United States, and for other purposes. <http://www.energy.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/hearings-and-business-meetings?ID=28694ebc-83f7-495b-81f9-0d4a2ee514c2>

**Wednesday, July 29, 2015 - House Oversight and Government Reform Committee:** The full Committee will hold a hearing entitled, “***EPA Mismanagement, Part II***” on Wednesday, July 29, 2015. EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy will be testifying. The Committee will also hear from, among others, a current and former Region V employee and Region VIII’s Karen Kellen, President AFGE Council 238. 9:00am ET. 2154 Rayburn House Office Building. <https://oversight.house.gov/hearing/epa-mismanagement-part-ii/>

**Wednesday, July 29, 2015 – House Natural Resources Committee –** Full Committee hearing on “[Federal Agencies' Selective Enforcement of ESA Consultation](#)”. Witnesses: Mr. Michael Bean, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, U.S. Department of the Interior; Mr. Sam Rauch, Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NOAA Fisheries; and **Ms. Gina McCarthy (Invited)**, Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency. 10:00am ET. 1324 Longworth House Office Building. <http://naturalresources.house.gov/calendar/eventsingle.aspx?EventID=399086>

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